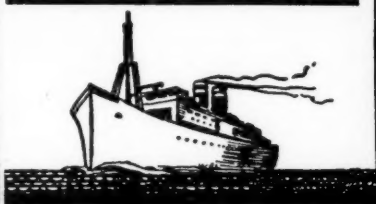


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Timely News From The Philippines

EARLY in the morning of December 7, 1941, Japan attacked the United States of America by bombing the Hawaiian Islands and other posts in the Pacific, including the Philippine Islands. On Monday, December 8, our Congress declared war on Japan, following the declaration which was issued by Japan on the previous day.

It is not my intention to start in with a lot of war news and war talk, but the above introduction seems desirable in calling attention to the news and notes which we print in this issue and which were mailed from the Philippine Islands by our correspondent in Manila, Mr. Pablo M. Esperidion, Editor of the Elizalde Stamp Journal published in Manila.

This lot of news and notes is timely up to the very minute and should be of great interest to every reader. The letter with these notes was mailed by Clipper from Manila on November 29 and reached our office on December 8, the day on which America declared war on Japan.

Mr. Esperidion has shown by the material included in these notes that he is a very far seeing and progressive news-man and is awake to the opportunities that are available for matter of interest to the collector readers of this publication. He is a thorough philatelist and a lover of our hobby and is performing a service to stamp collectors that will be highly appreciated by all who read his notes from time to time. Doubtless the next

letters to come from him will bear marks of the war and we anxiously await further news and information regarding the stamp collecting activities of our boys in the Philippines.

It will of course be apparent to all that the boys will have little time for stamp collecting in the months to come, yet we should feel proud of the fact that there is in Manila, stamp clubs to which the collectors in our American Forces in the Philippines will be welcomed in those period when leave permits them to visit in Manila.

We feel so positive of the high calibre and sterling qualities of our Philippine Correspondent, that we are ready to suggest that any stamp collector in America who might wish to make a contribution of stamps or other things of value for distribution among American stamp collectors who will visit the Manila clubs, that such material can be safely addressed to Mr. Pablo M. Esperidion, c/o Elizalde & Co., Elizalde Building, Manila, Philippine Islands. Send a few stamps with instructions to distribute them among the American collectors who we know will appreciate your thoughtfulness and we know that your own wish and desire to do all that you can in this present emergency, will cause you to gladly make such mailings of stamps.

In doing this, prepare your cover neatly, so that the recipient of same will likewise have a cover of this war period that will prove of value and interest.

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Philippines that the enclosure of sufficient funds for the purchase of postage for return of the cover will bring you back a cover from Manila. Ordinary mail is but 3c while by Clipper, the rate is 50c U. S. money.

More About Following the meeting World Wide of the World Wide Philatelic Association in St. Louis we printed a statement to the effect that the activities of the Association would cease and that the work would be abandoned. Immediately there came a letter from Mr. DeBajligethy of Tulsa, Oklahoma, founder of the Association that it would by no means be abandoned and that the Association would be continued. We also printed this information.

We are now in receipt of a letter from Mr. E. J. Jarvis who has acted as President of the Association in the past two years and Mr. Jarvis gives a very thorough explanation of the situation as it is at present. We would not quote his letter without his express permission, but we do believe that we can say enough based on his letter and our own knowledge of the Association to advise collectors of the true situation and state of affairs, something that is so seldom done by stamp magazines.

Mr. Jarvis states that the Tulsa show was one of the largest stamp exhibitions he had ever seen and second only in size to the last International Exhibition in New York in size. The material on display was of the finest and the work of the Oklahoma boys was wonderful in every way.

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But, the Exhibition went into the red to a considerable extent and had to solicit contributions to cover the deficit. People who are interested in such events will doubtless contribute at some time or other, but no man can be expected to make contributions annual to support events of this nature which are always operated at a loss.

The Detroit show was likewise a financial failure, the same party who helped wipe out the red for the Tulsa show, shouldered the bulk of this burden by clearing up the bills. As stated, a man may do these things now and then, solely because he is interested, but when it becomes necessary to do the same thing year after year, one loses interest.

The St. Louis show, we are told was handled in a thoroughly business-like manner and without a deficit. This of course can only be credited to the men who had charge of the affair for it is on their shoulders that the burden of loss would fall in event of a loss and in event of operation without a loss they alone deserve the credit.

That others could do as well is possible, yet that others could and would operate with a heavy deficit is more likely, for it takes experience and sound business management to carry through with one of these events and come out even.

The very foundation of the Association was such that it was dependent on an angel to finance its activities. It had a membership fee of but 25c per year. At its greatest moment probably less than 500 members at any one time. In the two and one half years of its activities, about 600 persons paid 25c for a membership. Barest cost of handling these with labor donated would be at least 5c per member, leaving probably 20c per head for other matters. It should be clear to anyone that a meagre \$120.00 spread over two and a half years could hardly finance anything.

There were several hundred dollars worth of frames purchased for the exhibitions, there was much printing,

advertising, trophies, and endless other expense incurred at the Tulsa and Detroit shows. Receipts from sale of booths to dealers and other receipts fell far short of covering actual expense and while we know that Mr. E. J. Jarvis has never proclaimed his deeds from the housetops, it is but fitting and deserving toward Ernie Jarvis that the statement be made that he personally laid cash on the line to the extent of many hundreds of dollars to cover deficits incurred by both the Tulsa and Detroit shows. Knowing Ernie as we do, we know that he enjoyed every cent he spent, yet no one can expect any individual to continue in this manner for an indefinite period and right now Mr. Jarvis is so busy with War Production that he barely has time to look in on his pet plaything, the Kenmore Stamp Company of Kenmore, N. Y.

As we stated in our original announcement about the World Wide, following the St. Louis show, we feel it would be best all around if the Association was abandoned and that those interested as members would affiliate with one of the two National Stamp Societies. We still maintain this belief, altho as stated in a later article about the Association, if Mr. DeBajligethy chooses to continue with it, we shall be glad to give it publicity as in the past.

● A recent newspaper illustrated feature shows the famous singer Lily Pons handing a large basket of envelopes and letters to a waste paper man. The illustration bears the inscription beneath it as follows: "Read 'em and Weep." When Opera's Lily Pons contributed her bit in the Save-Paper Campaign, the 'bit' weighed 600 pounds. It was all fan mail, something like 9600 letters."

● Now instead of speaking about "Jap stamps" we will have to speak about "Jap scamps."

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By Pablo M. Esperidion

While Uncle Sam and Juan de la Cruz (John Q. Citizen) are jointly dressed to kill for national defense, perhaps, it would interest readers of this column as to what the boys of Uncle Sam are doing here in the Islands in the way of stamps. And so, while the boys are sticking around on this side of the Pacific, this correspondent has tried to cover some servicemen newsettes which are being passed herewith:

Hobby

Thousands of boys in the Army and Navy of Uncle Sam have arrived in these Islands recently and some of them who this correspondent happened to meet at the local philatelic agency, have a passion for philately. But starch your socks! The boys now stationed in one of the U. S. Army camps "somewhere in Central Luzon," have introduced lately a unique "hobby," that is, the growing of different styles of beards, whiskers and mustaches—from the gay private to the hard boiled sarge, including the commanding officer of the outfit. Its purpose is to keep up the morale of the boys, one of the officers confided, but their girl friends retaliated: "Beards and moonlight don't mix!"

Slogan

The U. S. Army in the Philippines is now using a postal slogan (in rubber stamp) for national defense, as shown on a cover received by this correspondent from Capt. K. F. Sauer, Public Relations Officer, Office of the Staff for Military Intelligence, Headquarters Philippine Department. Design of the slogan shows a "V" with the wording "KEEP 'EM FLYING" inscribed in the arms of the "V" plus a flying eagle at the center. Below the "V", the letters "HPD" (Headquarters Philippine Department) are written. This design and slogan is also used at present by newspapers and magazines published in English here in the Philippines.

Soldiers

Scott A. Stamps is the name of a soldier stationed at Nichols Field, a U. S. Army post, in Paranaque, Rizal, in Luzon Island. Private Stamps is an artist by avocation and loves to paint between times. Incidentally, something worth collecting is the "Philippine Folio" of native scenes and studies by artist Stamps. But, strange

as it may seem as far as a name is concerned, R. S. Scott, another private at the Headquarters Nichols Field, is one of the most rabid philatelists. And then, there's Private J. Prescott, another album filler, who boasts of his joint collection with mamma dear way back in Medford, Massachusetts.

Sergeant

Wonder what happened to the blond Sgt. David Geller, who was a live-wire collector of this city before he left for Fort Devens, Mass.

Sailors

D. H. Watson, an American gob at the mine sweeper NAPA, and Lieut. J. Nays, USN, of the USS ASHVILLE were seen in Manila town chasing Philippine stamps the other day. As a gob in a mine sweeper, Sailor Watson must be a pride of the U. S. Navy, for he has a six-inch mustache that would "sweep" a Japanese barber shop into bankruptcy.

Marines

Sidney Bird, a "pigeon carrier" of the WPG, dropped a missive to this correspondent, enclosing a couple of bicolored seals issued by the U. S. Marines. One of the seals shows an eagle, a globe with an outline map of North and South America, and an anchor. Wording of one of the seals reads: "Siempre Fidelis" printed above and at the base, "JOIN THE —U. S. MARINES." The other seal shows a marine saluting and the inscription reads: "JOIN THE MARINES." To which this correspondent might add—"AND SEE THE PHILIPPINES."

Lieutenant

Lieut. Wilfred A. Emond, USA, former vice-prexy of the Philippine Air Mail Society, Chapter 13 of the American Air Mail Society, has left the Islands recently, having completed his tour of duty and is now stationed at Governor Island, N. Y. During the Lieutenant's stay in the Philippines the PAMS boys enjoyed his camaraderie, plus his swell lectures on stamp collecting told in his Massachusetts accent.

Captain

Capt. A. C. Townsend, now professor of Spanish in Uncle Sam's Army

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Keep 'em Flying! Cap, but don't forget to tell the boys that hamon y huevos is the equation of ham and eggs. P.S.—The National University and the University of Santo Tomas, the latter 36 years older than Harvard have announced recently that they are offering a course in Spanish, free of charge, to the servicemen of Uncle Sam stationed here in Manila.

Chaplain

Altho it's not a part of the chaplain's official duties, hobbies may occupy part of his spare time, according to an information released from the office of Lieut. Col. Alfred C. Oliver, Jr., Philippine Department Chaplain, USA. These hobbies vary widely with the individual and may include meteorology, painting, stamp collecting or any of the other interests which he or his men may have, and often the chaplain gives informal lessons in his particular hobby, the release further states.

Major

Major Edward R. Martin, a USA Chaplain, who boarded once an Army plane just to attend a local stamp meeting, bid Aloha to Manila and is now stationed at Lowry Field, Denver, Colorado. P.S.—There are 51 Philippine Army chaplains in the USAFFE (United States Army Forces in the Far East) at the time these notes are being written.

Aviator

Major Al Williams, one of the aviation experts of America, winner of the Pulitzer Race for Speed Record in 1923, aviation writer, and who wrote "Chronological Review of Aviation History" in the 1940 Yearbook of The Airmail Digest, official publication of the Philippine Air Mail Society, is now writing a series of articles on military aviation in the Philippines Herald, one of the influential newspapers here in the Islands.

Lieut. Colonel

Lieut. Col. John B. Martin, USA, one of the active collectors in these "7,083 Philerpines" and formerly stationed at Corregidor—"The Gibraltar of The Philippines"—which is forty miles away from gin and beer, has left the Islands recently, having completed his tour of duty.

Colonel

Col. R. J. Marshall, GSC, Deputy Chief of Staff, United States Army Forces in the Far East, is one of the serious philatelists in this city. The last time this correspondent saw the Colonel, well, Folks, the Colonel was expertizing some Philippine stamps.

Headquarters

Fort Santiago illustrated on the 10c stamp (Scott A57) is the Headquarters Philippine Department, USA. Though an Army Headquarters, it has a swell library containing about 30,000 books and publications for the boys to browse about. Incidentally, Fort Santiago is the place where Dr. Jose Rizal, Filipino patriot and martyr (Scott A40, etc.) was imprisoned and wrote his famous poem "Mi Ultimo Adios" ("My Last Farewell") before he was shot before a Spanish firing squad on December 30, 1896.

Mines

The entrance of Manila Bay (Scott A64) is now littered with mines, and if some naughty Axis boys want to monkey around it, they can't blame the War Department for planting the firecrackers.

Priority

Pier 7 (Scott A45), the largest pier in the world, came under the supervision of the USAFFE, effective Nov. 25. The Commonwealth Government conceded it to the USAFFE for priority.

Posters

Some of the stamp windows at the Manila Post Office (Scott A44) are labelled with bicolored posters with the inscription "KEEP 'EM FLYING!" The U. S. Army, Philippine Department, furnished the posters, according to the boys at the Manila P.O.

Parties

KEEP 'EM FLYING is not only an Army slogan and postal cancel seen and heard here in the Philippines, but also a series of dancing parties given in honor of the visiting U. S. servicemen.

Club

Just in case you parachute into the Philippines, don't forget to drop at the Army and Navy YMCA, where the Service Stamp Collectors Club, APS Chapter in Manila, are pretty well quartered. It's few blocks from the Manila Post Office, and you may buy and sell and trade stamps with the SSCC boys, or merely read the Bible in a quiet corner of the Army

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and Navy "Y." Incidentally, in a press release issued by the SSCC boys on Nov. 18, they announced: "Stamp-collecting soldiers and sailors can meet their fellows at sessions of the Service Stamp Collectors Club at the YMCA on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month. Many years ago when the club was formed, the majority of its members were servicemen, hence its name. It still carries the name, though the servicemen are no longer in a majority. Both civilians and servicemen are invited to attend the meetings."

Okay, Folks! That's all. Keep 'em Flying!

Like a Fairy Tale

The Philadelphia Record of December 5, contains a three column picture with appropriate scare head telling about the find of a sack of mail in the attic of an old Philadelphia house which was evidently hidden by a mail robber 89 years ago.

We are indebted to W. W. Musgrace for the clipping and picture and find that the article has been printed with divers tales about the loot in newspapers all across the country. Like all stories about stamps in which the newspapers play a part this story is doubtless exaggerated in respect to the value of the stamps found, for this sack of mail, after the letters had been looted of their contents was hidden away much in the same manner as it was originally stolen.

One newspaper spoke of stamps of a blue color and 1c face value which were issued in this period and valued at \$2,000.00, thus insinuating that the value of the stamps in this old mail bag find might run into thousands of dollars.

We have as yet seen no honest estimate of value, which could easily be made by a display of the material to any of the better known stamp dealers in Philadelphia, but we do have visions of Phil Ward and Eugene Klein stalking the authorities in an attempt to get in on this find. Either of these men could quickly set at rest any wild tales of the value of the stamps on the covers.

Eighty-nine years ago fixes the date as 1852 and of course we all know that in this day the 1847 stamps were still used to some extent and that the current issue of 1851 did have some stamps in the issue in the 1c value which have now been recognized as worth a considerable sum, but the chances are about 1000 to 1 that any 1c stamps in this find are of the common variety catalogued at five dollars and available from stamp dealers at from \$2.50 up.

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● The Pottstown Stamp Club, Pottstown, Pa., is planning for its Ninth Annual Philatelic Exhibition to be held March 25th to 29th in the Moose Auditorium in Pottstown. Collectors interested in making an exhibit or desiring other details can address Tilghman K. Hauseman, R. D. #3, Pottstown, Pa.

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Rising costs of paper made some change necessary in the belief of the publisher and his choice was to raise his subscription price rather than reduce the quality of the paper as was done by this magazine. You can now take your choice, whether you pay \$1.50 for a smooth paper or whether you will be satisfied with newsprint, the same as you get in your daily papers and pay but 50c per year. Knowing the stamp collector field as we know it, the advance in price by STAMPS will unquestionably mean a substantial falling off in annual subscriptions as renewal time comes along for many of the boys. How seriously this will effect returns from advertising printed in the paper is a matter that will worry the stamp dealers and not us.

Over in Britain, there has apparently been developed a war time paper for while none of the British papers which reach our office regularly have dropped to newsprint, there is evidence that a paper has been developed which is an apparent war time paper because of the very different quality than anything that had previously come in the British publications. This new paper has the general appearance of a body similar to newsprint, yet the surface finish is smooth and of a fair quality. No such paper seems to be available here, else such paper would be desirable for magazine use.

Weekly Philatelic Gossip is continuing with its ambitious program of reprinting the Luff work. Having been a stamp collector for over forty years and having owned a copy of this rare Luff book for the past twenty-five years I am unable to get enthusiastic over the volume. It is of course one of the greatest of American Philatelic volumes and nothing that anyone can say can ever detract from the achievement of Mr. Luff in recording what he did record with regard to early American philatelic knowledge about our own stamps, yet its value as a volume for the average collector, (and by average collector we embrace 99 out of every 100 stamp collectors) amounts to so little that we would far rather see other matter in the pages devoted to its reprinting.

This is of course none of our business, we may be told, yet when the editors of stamp publications quit reviewing other publications which was a regular feature of stamp papers in years past, one of the interesting parts of the stamp paper disappeared and it doubtless disappeared because of the fact that few editors of stamp papers were able to read a review of their own publication which if it did not heap praise on them, they were ready to explode and call the whole world screwy.

Charles Sidney Thompson, alias Sidney Bird, has made a noble effort in his handling of Gossip since he has been in Holton, but there is weekly evidence in the magazine that his ideas and ideals did not click and the paper is gradually settling back to a more ordinary form of life as in the past.

Now that winter weather has come on Don Houseworth has got out of the yard and gone into the house and even down into the cellar under the old manse. It ought to be warm and cozy down there and if he will just get on to some subject that an ordinary mortal can understand and quit quoting Shakespeare we will sit quietly by through the winter months and hope that when spring comes along he can get back up in the yard and start making garden. We feel sure that when he gets to this task that he will learn how to plant potatoes and onions and be sure Don to keep the onions as far away from the potatoes as possible for if they are too close together the onions will make the eyes of the potatoes water and that will ruin the crop by gum.

Editor Kimble takes a sharp rap at anonymous writing in Philatelic journals. We can quite agree with him that the man who is afraid to sign his name to any item he wishes published, is a spineless individual who deserves no support from any angle. One who does not have the courage of his convictions is convicted for lack of courage and should not be tolerated. Doubtless the urge to write anonymously has been brought about by the very fact that the average Philatelic Editor and philatelist, is entirely too touchy about his own self and feels that no one has any right to poke fun or satire at him or to disagree with or question any of his acts in any manner whatever. Truly, most such people would suffer severe pangs if in the political world and they were subjected to the ridicule that is heaped on political big wigs.

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Receipt of one of the small booklets of "S. A. G." seals from St. Anthony's Guild, 174 Ramsey St., Paterson, N. J. leads us to a close examination of these annual seals which are sold for the benefit of the Guild at each Christmas Season.

The seals are put up in the form of little booklets similar in construction to the U. S. Postage Stamp Booklets. Each book contains five pages of ten seals and is offered at One Dollar, the dollar being for an annual membership in the Guild.

The only wording on the seals is the letters "S. A. G." at the bottom of each seal and it is this wording that brings forth the story behind these interesting seals and which is printed on the back of the little booklets. We quote the story here.

The Origin of St. Anthony Guide "S. A. G."

"The custom of invoking St. Anthony's protection in regard to mail is based on a tradition which dates back to 1729."

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"The letter, which may still be seen at Oviedo, is dated Lima, July 23, 1729, and states that the wife's letter was delivered by a Franciscan Father."

"From this grew the laudable custom of writing S. A. G. on letters and of sealing mail with St. Anthony Guide stamps."

World War II Censored Mail

An article on the above subject appeared in the issue for Aug. 2, 1941. Additions will be found in the following issues; Aug. 30, Sept. 13 and Nov. 15. Mr. George S. Chapman of Arlington, Mass. has sent in the following new items to add to these previous lists.

CANADA

Printed label "Examined by C. 101"
Handstamp "Passed by Censor—"

ITALY

Handstamp "Ufficio Censura Posta Estera I"

Handstamp "128/1" in circle.

Printed label "Opened by examiner 305 P. C. 90"

Printed label "Verificato per Censura"

Printed label "Verificato per Censura Roma"

Handstamp "Commissione Prov. di Censura Roma 181"

Printed label "Udruzenje Casnika Stroja Kraljevine Jugoslavje-New York"

JUGOSLAVIA

Printed label "Opened by Censor 117C"

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The Aside Walks of New York

By De Witt Frankel

Time Keeps Flying!

Time, somehow, seems to verily fly a bit too hastily for us. One week just whirls along after the other. A bit too fast, for here we are pounding out the paragraph to head a column, while Time, that thoughtless commandant has hastened what now seems an entire world at war. Odd as it may appear, we received a copy of the ELIZALDE magazine mailed from Manila, almost at the same time word was heard about the Japanese fracas. Pablo M. Esperidion was kind enough to send on the official magazine of the Elizalde Stamp Club. Esperidion is the editor of the publication, and we must add that he does a splendid assignment credit in such a capacity. The magazine is colorful, entertaining, and above all, original in its compilation of material. The meter stamp on the envelope records a sixteen cent postage, and is dated November the sixth. Christmas seals on the cover make it an eligible item for our seal collection. A note from Esperidion in his handwriting proffers compliments. An article by Ernest Kehr in the magazine deals with one of his Canadian experiences. Kehr also remembered us with an exceedingly novel item from Canada. Two extremes in location, but one a rather documentary cover marking the present war. Our thanks to the gracious Pablo, and the best wishes for his welfare. Here's hoping he remembers to send on a Victory envelope when we win a decisive triumph over the enemy.

Salute In Acknowledgement!

We doff our rather worn out hat to the versatile Herman Herst, Junior, who manages to create his share of writing here and there in between the busy course of his own stamp busi-

ness. The prolific Herman speaks his mind, and is never hesitant about showering criticism where it belongs. He hews to the line with his ax or axiom just as true as most Philatelists should adhere. Hermes took occasion to throw a few rose-buds at Yours Truly in a recent column in the Weekly Philatelic Gossip. The praise he squandered was a bit too luxurious for such an old Timer. We didn't deserve the many nice things said, and our appreciation knows no bounds. Herst wound up his paragraph by calling us on a few denunciations relative to anonymous writers. Of course, we always knew that the Gloomy Dane was a composite character, but if three men drink out of one cup, it does not mean that one of the men did not drink.

The Bourse

The current STAMP DEALERS' BOURSE holding forth under the guidance of President Jack Goldstein, is a worthy success in wholesale stamp circles. The genial Harvey Dolan, Syd Stevens, Casi Lampak, Wallman, Weissman, Simon, Knina, Phil Goldstein, Alphonz Stack, Schoenbach, Doctor, Rich and many others too numerous for mention, are in evidence with lively activities. Fred Meggson is a recent addition, and Meggson goes about among the dealers with a valise which may easily be estimated as containing a few hundred thousand stamps.

Alex Doctor

The affable Doctor is a rather cheerful dealer of almost anything in stamps. It is one relief and also probably more interesting to view his many new acquisitions each week. He may have a lot of foreign items, an accumulation of United States material, or odds and ends in cancelled covers. He holds forth in his office in the 116 Nassau street building, and his office is fairly littered with choice material.

Maybe they mean Tito Schippa

Haven't the time to look up the correct spelling of the famed Opera star's name, and here's hoping it is worded correctly. It hasn't anything to do with this paragraph other than the name being pronounced almost like 'Skipper.' a friend button-holed us, the other day, with the dec-

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laration that we ought to create a Christmas card entitled 'The Skipper of the Scooper!' What say you?

A Hop Ahead-A Hedda Hopper!

That Hopper columnist seems to be doing quite right by herself in Hollywood via the megaphone. Somehow it seems quite simple to steal a march on all gossip toters by stating that since many of the movie colony are stamp collectors, we could also flaunt a few scoops by mentioning that seventy-five per cent of the crew will be married next year, and that seventy-four per cent will be divorced. One per cent will anticipate blessed EVEnts.

Ohlman Galleries

Ohlman and son seem to have installed regular monumental features in the way of the stamp auctions conducted from time to time. The one scheduled for December nineteenth, just about when you will read this, promises much in the way of fine United States and foreign material.

Stamp Numbers

We may be wrong, and of course, that is our license, but why doesn't someone concentrate a little more in working out a scheme or idea whereby stamps may be better identified by numbers according to their perforations. The number six-eleven Harding item always seems an illustrative example. It is an eleven perf stamp. Why not have the regular number such as six hundred classify that particular issue as regards the type of stamp and year, and then six-ten for a ten perf, six-eleven, for an eleven perf. It would lend itself to the average collector for an easier method in grasping the data surrounding stamps.

The Unusual

Your reporter has been deputized by a delegation of dealers to relay the information on to you that Charlie Craym of the Bond Stamp Company, actually paid more than catalog to Fred Meggson for stamps purchased.

Aside Talks

The New York Central streamlined train has created much of a stir since it costs about one million and a half, and is the last thing in a modernized conveyance on wheels. It was interesting to hear one commuter remark that altho it is a splendid gesture of the railroad company, one wonders what fifty years hence will produce along the same lines.

Happiness

Here we go again to tell you that one does not necessarily have to spell the word with letters appropriately selected from the alphabet. Happiness does not have to be expressed with words alone. It may be the enjoyment and satisfaction found in spending just those spare minutes with certain parts of a stamp collection. It's more than just a theory or a philosophy. It's an actual possibility. Happiness does exist, and very often in nothing more than a humble stamp collection!

Pan American Airways System

We don't know how the present war will effect the information released last week about the new air service between the United States and Mexico. Service was to have been increased to a possible three and four trips out of Los Angeles and Mexico daily.

Publications

In the past week the arrival of at least one magazine or stamp catalog, a day, has been timed with a rather respectful regard. One cannot help but notice with what sincerity each publication is issued. The desire to create new items of interest, and the faith in Philately and its subscribers seems all the more solidified. Back of the whole out-put, one may even venture that men more capable in handling the publications are gradually assuming the responsibilities.

Add Philatelic Rewards

We are rather indebted to a friend in the news craft, who so laboriously artistically contrived to make a folder on which one may place stamps for study. The gift as presented to us, has one half of it constructed entirely of stamps mounted and arranged quite attractively. It contains a velvet pad, and has window-like compartments wherein odd stamps are contained.

Mailomat

A casual survey of the present invention, the mailomat, may raise many conjectures. Many of the window clerks in the Post Offices are pleasant chaps. They smile whenever time allows, or they are not too weary from the trials of their positions. The mailomat lights up with glee when it receives your coin. It registers, computes, cancels, and almost snatches your missive right out from your hands. It's always at your service, never grouchy, and above all not a bit disconcerted because of its ignorance about plate numbers. A won-

derful thing the mailomat, especially since it is always ready for service at any hour, for example the ones in the Pennsylvania and Grand Central terminals.

New Wholesale Price-List

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373.....1.60	C4.....40	113.....90
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ARGENTINE—Commemoratives

50th Anniversary of Bank of the Nation.

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CURACAO—A correction.

On Dec. 6th the 12½c value of the new set was erroneously reported as 12c.

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FRENCH OCEANIA—Correction.

The "V" over-print reported two weeks ago now appears to be a special post-mark, and not an over-print.

GREAT BRITAIN—Change of Color.

3d violet (instead of dark-violet)

(Color changed to conserve dye-stuffs.)

GUATEMALA—Commemorative.

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35c green (50,000 issued)
40c yellow (50,000 issued)
60c blue (50,000 issued)

PHILIPPINES

The new 2c (Rizal) reported last week will be issued late in January or early in February. Those desiring first day covers should send self addressed envelopes to reach Manila not later than Jan. 20th. (As this is being written it is apparent that hostilities with Japan have broken out, and these may interfere with this issue.)

SURINAM

The 1c yellow green and 2c black-brown (Type A23) have been issued re-engraved in London. The white line within the border at either side now extends to the bottom of the stamp instead of stopping at the top of the lower inscription. The colors are slightly different. This, presumably, forecasts the whole issue appearing in the new type, London printed.

The Air-Mail series has had added two new values, printed in Batavia. They are printed on a paper described as of "blotter" consistency, intended to absorb tropical moisture, and are perf 13½ instead of 12½. Values:

20c green
40c orange

The new type paper will make it necessary to use care in handling these stamps.

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The series commemorating Francisco Acuna de Figueroa, author of

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CARL E. PELANDER AUCTION SALE held Oct. 17-18th at the Collectors Club, N.Y.C. This sale was composed of stamped envelopes, postal cards and proofs and essays of postal and reply cards, together with a few lots of Western frank envelopes. A *U10 envelope, tied, Mich. & Southern R.R., fine, @ \$7.50. The same envelope with a Topeka, Kans. Territorial, @ \$1.25; and a Wyandotte, K. T., 2 covers, @ \$6.50. *U13 with #33 and 42f, making a 10c rate, tied with San Francisco (\$13.90), @ \$12.50. 10c, *U15, Die 1, on white, V.F., unused (\$25), @ \$17.50. 10c, *U17a, Die 2 on white, V.F., unused (\$15), @ \$8. *U18, Die 2 on buff, unused (\$7), @ \$4.50. 3c+1c blue, Die 1, *U28, V.F., unused (\$25), over Cat. @ \$30. Same used, @ \$21.50. *U28 envelope, 3c+1c blue, Die 2 on white, unlisted and rare, @ \$42.50. *U29, 3c+1c blue, on buff with 3c displaced in position, envelope repaired, @ \$92.50. 6c, *U30 on white, V.F., unused (\$150), @ \$90. 24c green and red, *U44, unused, fine (\$15), @ \$8.50. 40c, *U45, unused (\$17.50), @ \$9.25. 3c, *U84, Bartels #290, knife 33, size 7, with patent lines (\$25), @ \$10.50. 63 mint envelopes, post cards and wrappers, 1c-5c, of "UNIVERSAL POSTAL CONGRESS" in original box as presented to the delegates of the "U. P. U. Congress" in Washington in 1897, @ \$110.00. 12c, *U69, with Wells Fargo frank, together with "Boyd's Despatch" and other markings, @ \$17. Everts, Wilson & Co's Express, 10c green, Die 1, *U15, with various markings including name of company and "Pine Grove," "Strawberry Valley, Cal." @ \$17. A Langton's Pioneer Express 10c, *U32, "Paid" and "Virginia City, Utah," cover stained, @ \$12.75. 1c, *UX17, "Die Proof of McKinley Post Card of 1901," with word "Specimen," V.F. and rare, @ \$22.50. Same as above without the word "Specimen," @ \$12.50. Same normal card, V.F., mint (\$12), @ \$17.50. Same used from New York City, @ \$9.50. 1c on 2c red on buff, *UX31, straight line surcharge, V.F., unused (\$20), @ full Cat. Same together with 1c, #498, making 2c rate to Germany, @ \$15.50. 1c on 1c, *UX34, red on cream, "ERROR", over Cat. @ \$8. Several hundred lots of U. S. envelopes, proofs and essays completed the sale, including many essays and proofs of postal and reply cards.

VAHAN MOZIAN, INC. 309TH AUCTION SALE held Nov. 18-19th at 505 Fifth Ave., N.Y.C. 5c, #28, used, V.F., @ \$6.90. 10c, #35b, used, V.F., @ \$4.25. 1c, #40, Type I, fine, O.G. (\$30), @ \$20.25. 3c, #85, fine, used (\$12), @ \$7.10. 15c, #98, V.F., used, @ \$4.40. 15c, #119, V.F., used, @ \$3.40. 30c #121, V.F., used, @ \$7.20. \$5, #278, used, V.F., @ \$9. \$2, #312, O.G., V.F. (\$27.50), @ \$17.25. 2c, #369, bluish paper (\$15), @ \$7.90. \$1, #423, O.G., V.F. (\$20), @ \$14.50. 5c, #499h, single error in block of 9, centered, @ \$18.50. \$2, #523, O.G., V.F., @ \$19.25. Set of Kan.-Neb. singles, #658-679, O.G., fine (\$17.55), @ \$9.30. Set of Zepps (3) of 1930, O.G., V.F., @ \$30.25.

UPTOWN STAMP CO., 55TH AUCTION SALE held Oct. 25th at North Hollywood, Calif. The 5c, #29d reprint (\$10), @ \$7.20. 90c, #54, O.G., V.F. (\$50), @ \$38.50. This stamp is much in demand and missing in most collections. 7c, #149, with cane. "Carondelet, Mo.," superb (\$5), @ \$6.30. 50c #291, O.G., V.F. (\$20), @ \$16.75. \$1, #292, used, V.F. (\$25), @ \$17.50. \$1, #311, O.G., superb (\$25), @ \$18.25. 10c Louisiana, #327, O.G., superb (\$10), @ \$6.85. 90c, #229, horiz. block of 6, used, V.F., @ \$18.25. 2c Columbian, O.G. block of 4, V.F., over Cat. @ \$3.75. Block of same in broken hat variety, @ \$5.25. 30c, #239, O.G., V.F. block (\$50), @ \$31.25. 2c, #249, O.G., V.F. block (\$15), @ \$11. 30c, #439, O.G., V.F. block (\$50), @ \$37.75. 2c, #461, V.F. used block of 4, @ \$16.75. The Zepp set, #C13-15, fine to V.F., O.G. blocks of 4, @ \$126.00.

EUGENE KLEIN 128TH SALE held Oct. 25th at 212 S. 13th St., Phila., Pa. This sale consisted mostly of Nineteenth Century Foreign, property of Chas. W. Arp and R. E. Lawrence's Foreign Revenues and Telegraphs. The latter comprised an unusual collection and permitted the few foreign revenue specialists to fill in many vacancies in their collections. A few U.S. items were sold including a number of wholesale lots of 20th century mint. Two copies of #523, V.F., used (\$13.50), @ \$7.50 each. The 5c error, #463b, O.G. block of 6, @ \$27. Same, perf. 11, #499h, O.G., double error block of 12, @ \$17.20. Same in strip of 4, @ \$16.50. In the wholesale lots, 430 O.G. copies Walloon, Norse, Sesquicentennial and Ericsson, face \$8.83, Cat. \$179.90, brought \$51. Lot #709, White Plains, Valley Forge, Vernon and Burgoyne, face \$19.58, @ \$46. Several hundred Charleston, Braddock and Von Steuben at double face. Prices on several other wholesale lots were nearly as good.

News for Dealers

Last week we printed a two inch advertisement for R. D. Thom Co., of Minneapolis, Minn. In sending the copy for the advertisement Mr. Thom said, "I received more replies from my last advertisement in Linn's than in any of the four other papers I advertised in."

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● Herman Chaney, proprietor of the Columbus Postage Stamp Company at 1492 North High street is the new Secretary of the Columbus Philatelic Club. At the last meeting of the club, the Board of Directors recommended that the Club become affiliated with the A. P. S. in order that it might participate in the sales department.

U. S. STAMPS

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U. S. IMPERFORATES, supb. mint blks. 4 @ 1/4 Cat. #314,320,343-6,383,481-3,535,575-7. Same: #408 @ 35c; 409 @ 55c; 531 @ \$4.25; 631 @ \$1.

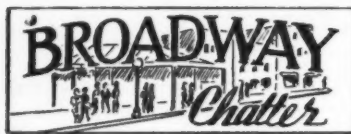
U. S. PERFORATES, mint, V.F. blks. 4: #294 @ \$1.25; 295 @ \$1.60; 327 @ \$35.; 328 @ \$1.40; 367 @ \$1.; 383, C.L. @ \$3.75; 538 @ \$1.10; 539 @ \$2.50; 579 @ \$4.75; 595 @ \$25.; 619 @ \$2.25; 620 @ \$1.10; 621 @ \$4.50; 628 @ \$1.50; 650 @ \$1. Singles, superb, mint: #228 @ \$2.50; 229 @ \$4.25; 235 @ \$1.; 237 @ \$1.; 268 @ 40c. No. 33, singles, covers, for plating.

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The war news was the sole topic of conversation among the dealers. Most of the boys are keeping their ears glued to the radio listening to the latest news reports.

There are a very large number of refugee dealers in this city. To a man they all voiced the opinion that they will do everything in their power to aid our country.

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#653 1/2c.....02	#639 7c.....09	#695 14c.....16
632 1c.....02	640 8c.....10	696 15c.....18
633 1 1/2c.....08	641 9c.....14	697 17c.....21
634 2c.....03	641A.....35	698 20c.....24
635 3c.....06	641B.....40	699 25c.....30
636 4c.....08	642 10c.....14	700 30c.....36
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Many dealers are withdrawing from sale all Japanese issues in stocks, even tho these issues will not come under the "Enemy trading Act."

A very nice price list was put out by the firm of J. & H. Stolow. This list is for dealers only, the list is very well done and is indicative of the large holdings this firm has.

Albert Levitt, proprietor of the Equitable Stamp Co., Specialists in British Empire issues, tells me that his mail auctions have been very successful and that prices realized surprised him. He told me he was offered a lot of B. C.'s for \$12.50, he told the owner to put them in his auction, the lot brought \$22.00.

The counter business in New York continues to decline, while mail orders are holding their own. It seems that New York dealers have the merchandise.

Most dealers still can't understand why out of towners, order a 10 or 15c item from them. They pay 6c postage, and the New York dealer isn't that much below the home town dealers, and home towners do get supplies of cheap items.

The manager of the stamp Department of Doubleday Doran Bookshops, tells me that he can't keep packets very long in stock. This seems to be the one of the best Christmas seasons that he ever had. Incidentally, they always have a nice window display which always helps sales.

Several Post Office supervisors told me that they had received many calls concerning airmail service to Hawaii. All were referred to G.P.O. as the local men weren't informed on the Pacific status.

This writer recommends the giving of stamps for Christmas. Yes, those nice Defense Stamps serve a double purpose, you are not only investing money but you are helping your country. As the next column will appear after Christmas, I want to wish all you LINN readers a Very Merry Christmas.

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By Kenneth M. Gierhart
Baltimore, Ohio

Hair Splitting

If you like that kind of work more power to you. In stamp collecting or in precancels we always thought that to get the greatest pleasure out of the collecting was to leave it as simplified as possible. Yet some people feel that they are really not collectors unless they collect misplaced eyebrows and questionable shades and the like. We particularly dislike this with those who call themselves general collectors. But after all that is their privilege and far be it from me to tell any one what he should collect. A very grievous annoyance to come to light lately in the bureau print field is the Hand set and Machine set types of over printing. It is particularly unfortunate that the bureau had to start this change over of systems at about the same time the Presidential series got under way really good. Being somewhat frugal they saw fit to only replace the worst plates leaving the better of the old ones still in use. This really gives the boys a Roman holiday for almost any kind of combinations can be expected in blocks etc. and often they are not disappointed. In New York almost all values are found in both types of composition in other cities just a few scattered items of which some values come both hand set and machine set. Plates from cities that have had bureaus quite a while but are not large

users are still handsets and all new cities are machine set. The difference. Yes there is a visible difference but it takes more than a casual glance to tell it. The machine set will have slightly smaller and perhaps thinner letters. I believe I am safe in saying that all NARROW bureau types are machine set, so you can use any one of them as a guide if you wish to delve into this matter. On the other hand not all WIDE types are handset as there are some WIDE machine set types. The catalog mentions most of these I am sure. You can spend a lot of time with your precancels just trying to separate the machine sets from the handsets or you can just take one nice copy of each item regardless of the set and go on to the business of hunting up some more stamps. I prefer the latter.

Notes

Columbus, O., has used the 12c Presidential lately precancelled with its U-12.---New Ohio town, Nevada, Ohio. U-122N. I think this is one of the few Narrow city type 122s.---1c Defense, Newport, Ky. Inv. U-10. That U-10 plate has been in use a long time at Newport.---I have been told that Richard A. Kiusalas has the famous Walter Gates Type collection for sale, or at least part of it. That was a real type collection. Walter wasn't satisfied with the 1c value in any type. He tried to get it on an unusual value, a commem or Special Delivery or the like.

Wire Getting Scarce

Prior to the time that the publishers started putting the wire stitches in Linn's Weekly Stamp News, we had frequent inquiries as to why that was not done. The present situation may force many publishers to turn out their papers without wire stitching. We have never attempted to HOARD any item in our line of business and wire for stitching the paper is bought at various intervals as needed.

We are almost out of wire and an order recently placed with the American Type Founders Sales Corporation, one of the largest supply houses in the country brings back information that they have no wire on hand and will arrange to ship our order if and when they can obtain a supply.

How other publishers are fixed, we do not know, but our supply is almost exhausted and unless a supply is obtained soon, papers may come to you without the wire.

New Plate Numbers

The following is a list of postage stamp plate numbers issued during the month of November, 1941.

Plate No.	Denom.	Issue of 1940	Plate Size
22849	1c Defense	1940	400
22850	1c "	"	400
22851	2c "	"	400
22852	2c "	"	400
22853	3c "	"	400
22854	3c "	"	400
22855	20c Pres.	1988	400

All of the above are of the Electric Eye Plate Printings.

The following is a list of postage stamp plate numbers sent to press during the month of November, 1941:

Plate No.	Denom.	Issue of 1940	Plate Size	Sent to Press
22768	1c Def.	1940	400	Nov. 8
22769	1c "	"	400	Nov. 8
22782	1c "	"	400	Nov. 13
22783	1c "	"	400	Nov. 13
22790	1c "	"	400	Nov. 13
22791	1c "	"	400	Nov. 13
22788	3c "	"	400	Nov. 8
22789	3c "	"	400	Nov. 8
22794	3c "	"	400	Nov. 8
22795	3c "	"	400	Nov. 8
22408	1c Pres.	1938	400	Nov. 21
22409	1c Pres.	"	400	Nov. 21
22410	1c Pres.	"	400	Nov. 27
22411	1c Pres.	"	400	Nov. 27
22815	16c Pres.	"	400	Nov. 27
22816	16c Pres.	"	400	Nov. 27
22817	18c Pres.	"	400	Nov. 26
22818	18c Pres.	"	400	Nov. 26
22176	20c Pres.	"	400	Nov. 25
22183	20c Pres.	"	400	Nov. 25

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